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Applicant: Daniel L. Tuma
Examiner: Robert S. Tupper
Serial No.: 09/931,665
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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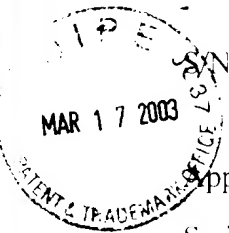
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 27, 2003, Applicants elect, without traverse, the claims of Group I (claims 1-19), which are drawn to a filter.

This election is made without prejudice to presenting the non-elected claims in divisional applications. Specifically, while Applicants make the election indicated herein, Applicants maintain the option to file divisional applications directed to the claims of Group II (claims 20-26), drawn to a disk drive; or to the claims of Group III (claims 27-30), drawn to a method of filtering.

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Respectfully submitted,



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